

**President Mahmoud Abbas' address at the  
80th session of the UN General Assembly  
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Following is the full text of the speech delivered by President of the State of Palestine Mahmoud Abbas before the 80th session of the United Nations General Assembly via video conference:

H. E. Annalena Baerbock, President of the General Assembly,  
H.E. António Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations,  
Excellencies, distinguished Heads of State and delegations,  
Peace, mercy, and blessings of God be upon you,

I speak to you today after nearly two years in which our Palestinian people in the Gaza Strip have been facing a genocidal war of extermination, destruction, starvation, and displacement waged by the Israeli occupation forces. This war has killed and wounded more than 220,000 Palestinians, the majority of them children, women, and elderly civilians, displaced hundreds of thousands, prevented the delivery of food and medicine, and starved two million Palestinians.

A suffocating siege has been imposed on an entire people, destroying more than 80% of homes, schools, hospitals, churches, mosques, and infrastructure. What Israel is carrying out is not just aggression—it is a war crime and a crime against humanity, documented and monitored, and it will be recorded in history books and in the conscience of humanity as one of the most horrific chapters of human tragedy in the 20th and 21st centuries.

In the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, the capital of the State of Palestine, the extremist Israeli government continues implementing colonial policies through illegal settlement expansion and annexation projects, the latest being the construction plan in E1, which divides the West Bank, isolates occupied Jerusalem from its surroundings, and destroys the two-state solution, in blatant violation of international law and relevant UN Security Council resolutions, foremost among them Resolution 2334.

This is in addition to the Israeli Prime Minister's announcement of his so-called "Greater Israel" plan, which we categorically reject and condemn, as it includes expansion into sovereign Arab states. We also condemn the recent brutal attack against the sister State of Qatar, which we consider a dangerous escalation and a flagrant violation of international law requiring decisive intervention and deterrent measures against such expansionist schemes.

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